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DR. HERLIHY CALLS I.A. MEETING IN NEW YORK

The presidents of the eastern State Teachers Colleges conducting Industrial Arts Departments will meet for the first time at a conference to be held in a private dining hall of the Hotel Commodore, New York, on Friday, April 4. This conference has been called by Dr. Herlihy. It will begin at 12:30 p.m. The exact place of the meeting will be posted at the information desk of the hotel.

Presidents of the following Teachers Colleges and the Directors of their Industrial Arts Departments have agreed to attend the conference. The schools are: California, Pa.; Millersville, Pa.; Trenton, N.J.; Newark, N.J.; Buffalo, N.Y.; Oswego N.Y.; New Britain, Conn.; Keene, N.H.; Gorham Me.; Fitchburg, Mass.

As chairmen of the group, the Fitchburg representatives will

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COLLEGE REPRESENTED AT E.S.A.P.C.T. MEETING

Four representatives of the Student Cooperative Association left Thursday morning to attend the Sixteenth Annual Spring Conference of Professional Schools for Teachers. The representatives, Claire Andrews, Tauno Tamminen, Dorothy Conroy and Ralph Gray will remain at the Hotel Commodore, where the conference is to be held from April 3 to April 6.

Dr. Herlihy, Miss Stafford, and Miss Gearan are the members of the faculty who will attend the conference.

New Council Officers To Be Inducted Next Wednesday



TAUNO TAMMINEN
Retiring Council President

GLEE CLUB TO SING PIRATE'S STORY SOON

The story of the tribulations of a young English lad who has lived as a pirate by mistake is told as only Gilbert and Sullivan can do in their famed operetta, "Pirates of Penzance". This hilarious tale will be unfolded to the students of the college when the operetta is presented by the college Glee Club on Thursday, April 24.

Enlivened by the satirical nonsense of W. S. Gilbert and sparkling with the delightfully rhythmical tunes of Arthur Sullivan, the "Pirates of Penzance" is a "must" on every music-lover's list of programs to

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TO TAKE OFFICE AT ASSOCIATION MEETING

The newly-elected officers of the Student Co-operative Council will be inducted into their offices at an Association meeting in the college auditorium next Wednesday at 10:10. This ceremony will be the main business of this, the third Association meeting of the year.

Robert Patch, president; James Amsler, vice-president; Richard Bejune, secretary; and Alfred

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BRADFORD WASHBURN, TODD LECTURER, MAY 7

Director of the New England Museum of Natural History and lecturer in the Geology Department of Harvard University, Bradford Washburn has been selected to deliver the Todd Lecture in the teachers colleges of the state this year. He is to ap-

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JUNIOR VOLLEYBALLERS COP CLASS TITLE 46-22

The Juniors are class Champions again!

In a spirited game the Juniors defeated the Sophmores 46-22 on Tuesday. This game was played as a result of a tie the preceding Thursday.

The Juniors were leading 23-8 at the half and kept up their scoring streak right to the final whistle.

In the consolation game the Seniors defeated the Freshmen.

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Editorial . .

The fourth Student Co-operative Council in the history of the Association will take office next Wednesday. A new slate of officers will henceforth direct the activities of a Council composed of old and new members. At this time it seems proper to ask a few questions. What is the record of the retiring Council? What can we expect of its successor? What has been gained for the students in the three years' existence of this body?

We regret to say that there are a certain number of unthinking, short-sighted students who, without giving any consideration to the matter, will answer a curt "Nothing"! To all three of these questions. For these people we have only sympathy. Their inability to make sure they have all the evidence and to weigh this evidence carefully in such situations will undoubtedly prove a great handicap in their professions.

For the Council has done much this year and in past years. A list of its accomplishments would take a great deal of space and would serve no useful purpose here; the very fact that it has run so smoothly this year bears evidence of the progress made in three short years. The changing of the basis for appropriations to the much safer percentage plan and the granting of a charter to a new organization are but two evidences of the pioneering steps taken by this year's group specifically. The hope for the incoming Council's expectations rise from this progress of past groups.

If anyone doubts the efficacy of continuing the

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The Ash Tray

PERSONALITIES

During my sojourn at F.T.C., I've been thrown in with all types of humanity. Some of these types were new acquaintances; others were merely recapitulations of familiar personalities. Here are a few of the more odious:

The Porker

I wouldn't say that this fellow is uniquely F.T.C., but he was foreign to me until I entered college. A porker is merely a pig who is "all for me and to heck with you." He grinds and grinds for the sole purpose of showing up his classmates. This individual is apt to be extremely unpopular, but we shouldn't be too hard on him. After all, there's a little pork in all of us.

The Parasite

Contrasted with the porker, we have another distasteful personality—the parasite. This fellow is no stranger. He (the impersonal he) varies from head lice to mothers-in-law. We know him best as that helpless individual who is always borrowing assignments. 'Lemmie' would be a good name for him: "Le'me take your math."

The Pussy-Bumper

Pussy-bumping is a science. Dale Carnegie wrote a book about it. It is also an art which very few have mastered. Oh, some individuals think they know it inside-out, and we call them 'pussy-bumpers'. I think the most disgusting type of pussy-bumper is the fellow who pretends to be so interested in a subject about which he knows nothing or cares little. You've seen a cat in action when she wants something to eat. Well, these students are just as obvious.

The Fool

Here we have an individual who frowns on study as a detriment to a college education. He never reads his assignments because he believes in originality. "After all, there's no sense in voicing someone else's opinion; why, a parrot could do that." He accepts laziness as a bosom pal, and, hand in hand, together they stand.

The Realist

Usually a very practical individual; sometimes a bore. He's the person who sits beside you in a show during a very touching scene and tells you that those are nothing but shadows flickering across a screen. He also confirms the theory that war is a necessity in order to keep the population down.

Campus Chatter

After displaying the W.P.A. oil paintings for a period of a month, the twelve pictures were placed before the dormitory body to select five with which to decorate the dormitory walls.

The following were chosen: The Old Man, Provincetown Railroad Station, Mountain Winter Scene, Rockport Street Scene, and Autumn.

These oil paintings were painted by the W.P.A. artists from the Boston district, and they, add a cheerful, friendly atmosphere to the dormitory.

Of late the chatter column has made remarks about the R.O.B.B.'s which have been interpreted as derogatory. We offer our humble apologies to the benevolent order and hope to make retribution for our maléfactions. In order that the reader may get a better picture of this organization I shall try to paint their side of the story.

The R.O.B.B.'s

We are the girls who are void of fleas.

Better known as the R.O.B.B.'s
We never drink; we never smoke
We never even crack a joke.

Our hearts are strong; our lives
are pure

You'll seldom find us in the
sewer.

Why we are just as sweet as
honey.

We might play poker—but not
for money.

The only time we make any
noise

Is when we're out with the Yarvo
Boys.

Sights about the Campus

"Andy" Cunningham gracefully executing a nose dive in the third floor corridor before a throng of amused onlookers.

A couple of characters from

SOPHOMORE PARTY COMMITTEE CHOSEN

President Wood placed the responsibility of the General Chairmanship of the Sophomore Class party in the capable hands of Helen "Chickie" Chadwick. The time and place of the event are not yet definite, May the twentieth and the twenty-second are under consideration as the probable date.

"Chickie" has chosen the following persons to head the various committees and we feel sure that they will do their best to make the party a great success. Transportation—Norman Pope, Refreshments—Charles Dacey, Housing—John O'Neil, Sports—Ed. Ruby and Edith Beauchamp.

It is the hope of the class officers that through these and other activities the entire class may obtain the peak in unity and cooperation. If last year's success may be any indication, it can be said that their hopes are rapidly being fulfilled and the peak will soon be reached.

"Tobacco Road"? No, that's just Jesse and Henry in their new hats.

Dot Hackett looking verra, verra nice in gray hair.

Spring is here again. If you are from Missouri, just take a look at the administration steps with the students basking in the noonday sun.

Quotable Quotes

"People that don't know me think I'm crazy; people that do know me know I am."—Ted Cote

"So help me I didn't write it: it must have been another member of the staff." Any member of the chatter Crew.

"—the campus! Why I wouldn't leave it for the world,—at least four weeks anyway." You know who.

PLANS MADE FOR SENIOR PROM

The Class of 1941 will hold its Senior Prom, the last dance to be presented by them, on Friday, May 16. The housing committee has not yet selected the location; it has looked over many possible choices, most of them country clubs. This year special dance orders will be given in place of favors.

Milo Galbraith is chairman of the committee, which includes: Chet Smith, orchestra: Eileen Connelly, refreshments: Ralph Pearson and Sirkka Waris, housing; Sue Moore, sponsors: and Ray Boyce, printing and bids.

SENIORS TAKE BOSTON ART TRIP

The Senior I. A. boys visited Boston to see the Art Work on Thursday, April 3. This trip was under the supervision of Miss Conlcn. Their trip included a visit to the Federal Art Project to see the wood-carvers at work and a visit to the Printing department of the Christian Science Publishing House. In this building they entered the huge glass globe on the inside of which the work is mapped in color.

Next they went to the Connich Studio where stained-glass windows, like those of the 13th century cathedrals in France, are made. At the Vesper George School of Art they saw designs, and then the group went to the Craft Center School to see Peter Manzoni, the metal craftsman, at work. Later they visited the School of the Museum of Fine Art's, Mrs. Jack Gardner's Palace, and Museum of Fine Arts, itself.

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lead the discussion on three principal topics.

Dr. Herlihy was prompted to arrange for this meeting because of the encouraging reports from these several schools concerning the new status of Industrial Arts in the reorganized secondary school curricula.

Invitations have been extended to Professor Thomas Briggs of Teachers College, Columbia University and Dr. Paul Elicker, National Secretary of Secondary School Principals.

Council Officers*—Continued from Page One—*

Shinner, treasurer, are the students who are to take office at this time. They constitute the first entirely male slate of officers in the history of the Association. There has never been a set of officers composed of all women.

Tauno Tamminen is the retiring president. Dorothy Dahlquist, vice-president, Alfred Shinner, secretary, and Edwin Frye, treasurer, are the other current officers who are relinquishing their positions.

The special attention of the students is called to the fact that this meeting is to be held on Wednesday. Classes normally scheduled for the 10:10 period on Wednesday will be shifted to the regular assembly period at 10:10 Tuesday. Attendance at the meeting is required, as for all assembly programs.

Glee Club*—Continued from Page One—*

see. The students who have been selected for roles in the operetta have all established names for themselves for their work in musical productions here and elsewhere. A splendid chorus is well qualified to provide the intricate background for the playing and singing of the principals.

Council Notes

The meeting was opened by President Tamminen, with a discussion on the new Association meeting. Claire Andrews moved that the presentation of this year's meeting be modeled after last years. It was so voted. Robert Patch was appointed to arrange the joint meeting between the old and the new council. A letter was read from Wellesley College inviting students from Fitchburg T. C. to attend a ten-day conference that is being arranged by the Americans Friends Society.

David Scanlon requested that a sum of money that has been left over from the Freshman Dance be turned back to the class for a Freshman Class Day. It was voted to have this request investigated by the finance Committee.

Todd Lecture*—Continued from Page One—*

appear here on Wednesday, May 7, at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Washburn has qualified for his high place in the field of Geology and Natural History by the pioneer work he has done in glacier exploration and sub-polar expeditions. Much of this work he has done for the National Geographic Society.

The annual Henry Todd Lectureship was established in the State Teachers Colleges of Massachusetts in 1926, having been made possible by a fund left by Henry I. Todd to the Massachusetts Board of Education. Mr. Todd, who died in 1849, had carried on successful businesses in London, New York, and Philadelphia. The following distinguished lecturers have been brought to the Massachusetts Teachers Colleges through this benefaction: Dr. Edward Howard Griggs, Mrs. Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Dr. Charles H. Judd, Dr.

LOCAL COUNCIL GIVES SAFETY COURSE HERE

A course in safety practices in industrial shops is being sponsored by the Fitchburg Safety Council. The course started last Tuesday evening March 25. It will be held every Tuesday evening until June 17, 1941.

Mr. Ulysses J. Lupien, Director, Massachusetts Civil Service, gave a very interesting lecture entitled "Accidents and Their Place in Industrial Life." This lecture, the first of the series proved to be very instructive to the audience.

The Safety Council has scheduled eleven more sessions. Certificates will be awarded to all who satisfactorily complete the course.

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Student Cooperative Association and Council, let him ask a Senior—they are the only class which can make a comparison on the basis of experience—whether he favors the old or the new system. If for no other reason than its financial saving, the Cooperative-Council system has proven of great value.

Let us both congratulate and thank the 1940-1941 Council for the fine work it has done. May the incoming body continue to further the progress which these three years have brought.

Harlow Shapley, Dr. Edward Cubberly, Mr. Lorado Taft, Dr. Albert Bushnell Hart, Dr. George E. Vincent, Miss Zona Gale, Dr. Edward Lee Thorndike, Professor Robert E. Rogers, Rev. Michael J. Ahern S.J., Rev. Everett R. Clinchy, Rabbi Benedict Glazer, Rev. Thomas R. Reynolds, Dr. J. Anton De Haas, and Dr. Heinrich Bruening.